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AND/OR EXTENSION OF FISHING PERIOD FOR 1977

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1. DURING MARCH 14 MEETING OF JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
(MADRID 2010) SPANISH BROUGHT UP FISHING PROBLEMS WITH REQUEST
THAT SPAIN BE GRANTED ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF SQUID AND/OR
AN EXTENSION OF FISHING PERIOD IN ORDER PERMIT TAKING OF
PRESENT ALLOCATION. US SIDE AGREED TO LOOK INTO MATTER WITH
APPROPRIATE USG AUTHORITIES. DURING JUST CONCLUDED MAY 12
MEETING OF US-SPANISH COUNCIL, SPANISH AGAIN RAISED FISHING
PROBLEMS STATING THEY ARE HOPEFUL SOME ASSURANCES REGARDING
ALLOWABLE CATCH CAN BE WORKED OUT FOR FUTURE.

2. ALTHOUGH SPANISH POSITION NOT COMPLETELY CLEAR, IT APPEARS
FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH JAVIER CONDE (DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL
FISHING FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) DURING MAY 8-11 VISIT OF
US FISHING INDUSTRY REPS, THAT SPANISH WANT AN ADDITIONAL
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ALLOCATION OF 2,000-3,000 TONS OF SQUID OVER AND ABOVE
REALLOCATION ENVISAGED FOR PERIOD STARTING JUNE 1. PLANNED
REALLOCATION WOULD RAISE SPANISH QUOTA FROM 9,300 TONS TO
18,000 TONS. SPANISH CLAIM THAT "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP" WITH US
ENTITLES THEM TO BETTER THAN EQUAL TREATMENT WHICH (ON PER
CENTAGE BASIS) THEY ARE RECEIVING WITH JAPANESE, SOVIETS AND
OTHERS UNDER REALLOCATION SCHEME. CONDE WAS TOLD BY EMBOFF

AND INDUSTRY REPS THAT THERE IS PRACTICALLY NO POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL INCREASE IN SQUID QUOTA.

3. WITH REGARD TO ADDITIONAL FISHING TIME FOR SPANISH, IN VIEW TIME LOST IN EARLY MARCH FOR VARIOUS REASONS, AGAIN SPANISH REQUEST IS NOT CLEAR. AT PRESENT SPANISH HAVE APPLIED FOR TWO GROUPS OF BOATS TO FISH DURING PERIODS JUNE 15-SEPTEMBER 15 AND NOVEMBER 1-DECEMBER 31, RESPECTIVELY (MADRID 1361 AND APPLICATIONS POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 25, 1977). EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT SPANISH HAVE IN MIND EXTENDING PERIODS FOR ONE OR BOTH GROUPS.

4. COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED. ACCORDING TO US INDUSTRY REPS, SPANISH INDICATED THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO TAKE ONLY ABOUT 3,000-3,500 TONS OF CONTEMPLATED 6,140 TONS CATCH DURING PERIOD THROUGH MARCH 31. ALTHOUGH SOME OF SHORTFALL MIGHT BE DUE PROBLEMS WITH DELAYED LICENSES IN EARLY MARCH, ONE OF MAIN REASONS APPEARS TO BE POOR FISHING SEASON. US FISHING REPS, WHO ALSO HAVE EXPERIENCED POOR YEAR FOR SQUID, SAID THAT EXTENDED COLD WINTER MIGHT EXPLAIN LACK OF SUCCESS. FROM FOREGOING IT WOULD APPEAR THAT SPANISH MAY HAVE DIFFICULTY TAKING EVEN THE CONTEMPLATED QUOTA OF 18,000 TONS (INCLUDING JUNE REALLOCATION), NOT TO SPEAK OF AN ADDITIONAL 2,000-3,000 TONS. HOWEVER, SPANISH HAVE INDICATED IN PAST THAT THEY LOOK ON 1977 AS A "PRECEDENT YEAR" WHICH WILL HAVE IMPORTANT BEARING ON ALLOCATIONS FOR FUTURE YEARS. FOR THIS REASON THE GOS MAY PRESS FOR A LARGER QUOTA, KNOWING THAT THERE IS LITTLE POSSIBILITY OF TAKING THE TOTAL. A SPANISH REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF THE FISHING PERIODS SEEMS TO EMBASSY MORE PROBABLE, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SINCE THEIR FISHERMEN WILL HAVE PROBLEMS TAKING THEIR CONTEMPLATED QUOTA IN THE TWO PERIODS PLANNED. CONDE TOLD EMBOFF LAST WEEK THAT HE WOULD BE SENDING REQUEST TO EMBASSY WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS ON SEVERAL MATTERS, INCLUDING WAIVER OF NET MESH SIZE FOR REMAINDER OF 1977, CHANGE OF VESSEL IDENTIFICATION FOR ONE OR MORE OF BOATS WHICH LICENSES HAVE BEEN APPLIED, ETC. ALTHOUGH NO ADDITIONAL DIRECT OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM GOS HAS BEEN RECEIVED ON THESE MATTERS SINCE RAISING IT IN JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH GOS OFFICIALS. STABLER

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